



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Chaudhari et al. Examiner: Oh, Taylor V.  
Serial No. : 10/808,965 Group Art Unit: 1625  
Filed : March 25, 2004  
For : PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF 2-HYDROXY  
CARBOXYLIC ACIDS  
Customer No. : 21003

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 26, 2005, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit herewith a Petition to Extend Time for a period of two months, up to and including Monday, March 27, 2006, together with the appropriate fee for a small entity.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this response.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this response.